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Director

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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
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Dear Supervisors:

**APPROVAL OF RECOMMENDATION FOR THE TERMINATION OF THE
TRANSPORTATION AND HUMAN SERVICES EXECUTIVE COUNCIL
(ALL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Terminate and merge all functions and responsibilities of the Transportation and Human Services Executive Council into the New Directions Task Force (NDTF) and the Interagency Operations Group (IOG), effective the day after Board approval.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approval of this recommendation will more effectively address the County's human service transportation issues within the context of the County's overall service integration efforts. Specifically, since the County members of the Council are also members of the NDTF and IOG, which are already addressing transportation issues, it would be more effective to terminate the Council, and merge its responsibilities under the jurisdiction of the NDTF and IOG. The Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) is a member of the IOG, and other transportation providers and community representatives, including the community members of the Transportation and Human Services Executive Council, will be asked to participate in a new standing transportation committee which will be established by NDTF and IOG, if your Board approves this recommendation. The community members of the Transportation and Human Services Executive Council have reviewed this proposal and do not have any objections. The NDTF endorsed this recommendation on May 13, 2003.

IMPLEMENTATION OF STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS

This recommendation is consistent with the principles of the Countywide Strategic Plan Goal #1 (Service Excellence) to provide the public with easy access to quality information and services that are both beneficial and responsive.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There is no fiscal impact.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

On June 15, 1999, your Board approved the Phase I Welfare-to-Work (WTW) Transportation Plan. The plan included the creation of a Transportation and Human Services Executive Council consisting of major transportation providers, the County Department Directors who are also members of the NDTF, and community representatives. The Council's role is to address the lack of coordination between human services agencies and transportation authorities, and develop long-term solutions to this lack of coordination.

In response to your Board's October 19, 1999 motion, the Executive Council expanded its scope of work to include planning and development of transportation services to improve health care access for the medically indigent. The Council has formed a Health Care Transportation (HCT) Committee, which includes representatives from the Council and various community organizations.

The Council has brought together the Human Services and transportation providers to collaborate on transportation issues. The Council has also addressed the transportation barriers in the County, which impact the ability of low-income people to access services available to them. The Council collaborated in the development of the CalWORKs Transportation Needs Assessment (CWTNA) and the Phase II Welfare-to-Work Transportation Plan, which addressed the needs identified by the CWTNA.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

All current activities of the Transportation and Human Services Executive Council will be absorbed by the New Directions Task Force and the Interagency Operations Group.

Respectfully submitted,

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